eligible for Samman Pension, duly verified and recommended by the Government of Maharshtra, is pending.

(b) Does Not arise.

Termination of a BSF Jawan

4005. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news report "BSF Jawan step up fight to get back job" appearing in the Sunday Times dated 5th March, 2000 and on earlier report MP's help prove costly to Jawan appearing in the Hindustan Times dated 27th December, 1998;

(b) if so, whether Government are reviewing the decision to terminate the job of the jawan who served for eight years; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO) : (a) to (c) Ex Constable Kamal Dey was enrolled in the BSF in 1989. He tendered his resignation which was accepted with effect from 1.1.97. He had resigned from service of his own volition and his petition for reinstatement was rejected by the Government.

Deployment of BSF

4006. SHRI ABANI ROY : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether thousands of armed militants from top ranking militant outfits are awaiting across the border in Pakistan to enter Jammu and Kashmir as per confidential information from BSF as appeared in Pioneer dated the 15th April, 2000;

(b) whether the deployment of BSF along the border in Jammu and Kashmir and other States have been further strengthened;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the strategy formulated by BSF to prevent any type of infiltration across the Jammu and Kashmir border ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO) : (a) There has been continued efforts on the part of Pak ISI and pro-pak terrorist outfits to induct more mercenaries from across the border into J&K.

(b) and (c) Deployment of BSF and other Central Para-military forces for the various tasks are dynamic in nature and the exact quantum deployed at a particular point of time depends upon the requirements of the situation and the availability of forces.

(d) The following steps have been taken by BSF to prevent infiltration :—

(i) Round the clock surveillance of the border by patrolling, both day and night operations.

(ii) Conduct of special operations.

(iii) Plugging of riverine gaps with improvised fence, lights and other methods.

(iv) Clearing of Sarkanda growth in bordering areas.

(v) Upgradation of intellience net work.

(vi) Use of night Vision Devices.

(vii) Augmentation of strength for patrolling/naka duties from Battalion Hqrs.

(viii) Improvised fencing where it is possile, is being erected.

(ix) Co-ordination with police and Army.

(x) Erection of security fencing and flood lighting poles for effective checking and surveillance.

Infiltration in J & K

4007. SHRI ANANTA SETHI : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the large scale infiltration in Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, the steps taken to prevent any further infiltration from across the border;